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12 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
13 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

14 United States of America,  
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16 Plaintiff,  
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18 v.  
19 Kejon Ward,  
20 Defendant.

Case No. 2:17-cr-00221-JAD-EJY-2

**Order Granting Motion to  
Reconsider Order Striking Pro  
Se Motion for Sentence  
Reduction (ECF No. 370)**

ECF Nos. 367, 370, 372

21 Kejon Ward, through counsel of record, Madeline S. Lal, Assistant Federal  
22 Public Defender, files this Motion to Reconsider Order Striking Pro Se Motion for  
23 Sentence Reduction (ECF No. 370). This motion stems from the following  
24 Memorandum of Points and Authorities.

25 DATED this 26th day of January, 2024.

26 RENE L. VALLADARES  
Federal Public Defender

By: */s/ Madeline S. Lal*

MADELINE S. LAL  
Assistant Federal Public Defender  
Attorney for Kejon Ward

1                                    **MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES**

2            On December 12, 2023, Mr. Ward filed a *pro se* Motion for Sentence  
3 Reduction pursuant to Amendment 821. ECF No. 367. On January 4, 2024, this  
4 Court reviewed the motion and found Mr. Ward was represented by counsel and  
5 thus may not file motions except through counsel. ECF No. 370. This Court  
6 ultimately struck the motion from the docket. *Id.*

7            Mr. Ward respectfully requests this Court to reconsider its Order striking  
8 his *pro se* Motion for Sentence Reduction from the docket. This Court should  
9 reconsider its decision pursuant to Amended General Order 2023-09, which states  
10 that “[i]n any case in which a defendant has filed either a letter or motion  
11 requesting relief under Amendment 821, prior to its Effective Date, the [Office of  
12 the Federal Public Defender, District of Nevada] will be alerted of that filing by  
13 the Clerk of the Court and *disposition of that filing will be stayed pending the*  
14 *Effective Date.*” Am. General Order 2023-09 at 2 (emphasis added) (D. Nev. Dec.  
15 18, 2023). Undersigned counsel has been alerted to Mr. Ward’s filing and is  
16 reviewing his case to determine whether he is eligible for relief under Amendment  
17 821. Consistent with Amended General Order 2023-09, undersigned counsel will  
18 file a contested motion, a joint stipulation for a sentence reduction, or a notice of  
19 non-eligibility.  
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21            Mr. Ward requests this Court reconsider its Order and stay disposition of  
22 his *pro se* Motion for Sentence Reduction pending the effective date of Amendment  
23 821, which is February 1, 2024.  
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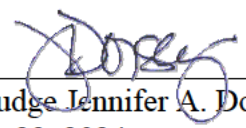
1 Respectfully submitted,  
2 RENE L. VALLADARES  
3 Federal Public Defender

4 By: */s/ Madeline S. Lal*

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6 Assistant Federal Public Defender  
7 Attorney for Kejon Ward

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9 **ORDER GRANTING MOTION**  
10 **TO RECONSIDER**

11 With good cause appearing, IT IS ORDERED that the Motion to Reconsider Order Striking  
12 Pro Se Motion [ECF No. 372] is **GRANTED**, and the order striking Defendant Kejon Ward's  
13 Pro Se Motion for Sentence Reduction [ECF No. 370] is **VACATED and SET ASIDE**. The  
14 Clerk of Court is directed to reactivate that motion [ECF No. 367].

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17 U.S. District Judge Jennifer A. Dorsey  
18 Dated: January 29, 2024  
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